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SUBJECT: OAS ELECTION OF SECRETARY GENERAL

1. FONMIN SAPENA PASTOR AND PARAGUAYAN AMBASSADOR TO US MIGUEL SOLANO LOPEZ WHO AT PRESENT IS IN ASUNCION ASKED ME YESTERDAY WHETHER THERE WAS ANY TRUTH TO A REPORT THAT APPEARED IN THE LOCAL PRESS APRIL 18 THAT GALO PLAZA'S TERM MAY BE EXTENDED BY TWO YEARS.

2. THE FONMIN SAID THAT IF THIS REPORT WERE TRUE, IT WOULD SUIT HIM FINE. SOLANO LOPEZ, MORE SKEPTICAL, WONDERED WHETHER THE UNITED STATES WAS BEHIND THIS MOVE IF, IN FACT, THE REPORT WAS TRUE.

3. I REPLIED THAT MY ONLY KNOWLEDGE OF THIS MATTER CAME FROM THE SAME NEWSPAPER ARTICLE AND THAT I HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY BACKGROUND ON THIS ISSUE DEPARTMENT MAY CARE TO GIVE ME WITH INSTRUCTIONS WHAT IF ANYTHING I CAN PASS ON TO SAPENA PASTOR. I AM NOT ON THE HOOK, HOWEVER, TO SAY ANYTHING FURTHER TO HIM ON THIS MATTER IF IT IS NOT DESIRABLE.

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